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Message:

I am writing to you today as a deeply concerned citizen of Texas to express profound alarm and unequivocal condemnation of the ongoing and blatant efforts to suppress the voting rights of Texas citizens. These actions represent a direct assault on the fundamental tenets of our democracy and undermine the very essence of representative government.

The right to vote is the cornerstone of a free society, a sacred privilege, and a civic duty that must be protected and expanded, not systematically eroded. Yet, recent legislative actions and proposals in this state have demonstrably sought to erect barriers to the ballot box, rather than facilitate access. These measures, often disguised under the guise of "election integrity," disproportionately impact marginalized communities, the elderly, students, and working-class Texans, effectively disenfranchising eligible voters through restrictive identification requirements, arbitrary limitations on voting methods, reduction of polling hours and locations, and aggressive voter roll purges.

While your office may assert a commitment to "secure and fair electoral processes," true election integrity is built upon maximizing eligible voter participation, not on creating obstacles that disproportionately burden specific demographics. Claims of security must not serve as a pretext for disenfranchisement.

Furthermore, assertions that current laws are "carefully crafted through a robust legislative process" and provide "both accessibility and necessary safeguards" ring hollow in the face of demonstrable voter disenfranchisement. A legislative process that results in fewer eligible citizens being able to cast a ballot, or that imposes undue burdens on specific communities, cannot genuinely be described as robust or fair. Public trust is not built by restricting access, but by ensuring every voice is heard and every legal vote is counted without unnecessary barriers. We specifically challenge the notion that current measures genuinely balance accessibility with security when the practical outcome is a clear reduction in voter participation.

Such tactics are not merely inconvenient; they are a calculated and cynical attempt to manipulate electoral outcomes by silencing the voices of a significant portion of the electorate. This is not about securing elections but obtaining power through exclusion. The implications of these suppressive measures extend far beyond individual elections; they sow distrust in our democratic institutions, foster cynicism among citizens, and ultimately weaken

the fabric of our society.

We demand that the Texas Senate immediately cease all efforts that restrict voter access and commit to legislation that actively promotes and protects the right to vote for every eligible Texan. This includes, but is not limited to:

Expanding, not limiting, early voting opportunities.

Ensuring accessible and sufficient polling locations, particularly in underserved communities.

Implementing fair and equitable voter registration processes.

Rejecting any legislation that imposes unnecessary burdens on voters.

Upholding the principle that every legal vote cast should be counted.

The integrity of our elections is best served by ensuring that every eligible citizen can cast their ballot freely and without undue burden. It is your responsibility, as elected representatives, to champion the rights of all Texans, not to diminish them. History will judge harshly those who actively work to suppress the people's voice.

We urge you to reconsider the harmful trajectory of current policies and instead dedicate yourselves to strengthening our democratic process by upholding the fundamental right to vote for all Texans.

Sincerely,

A Concerned Texas Citizen